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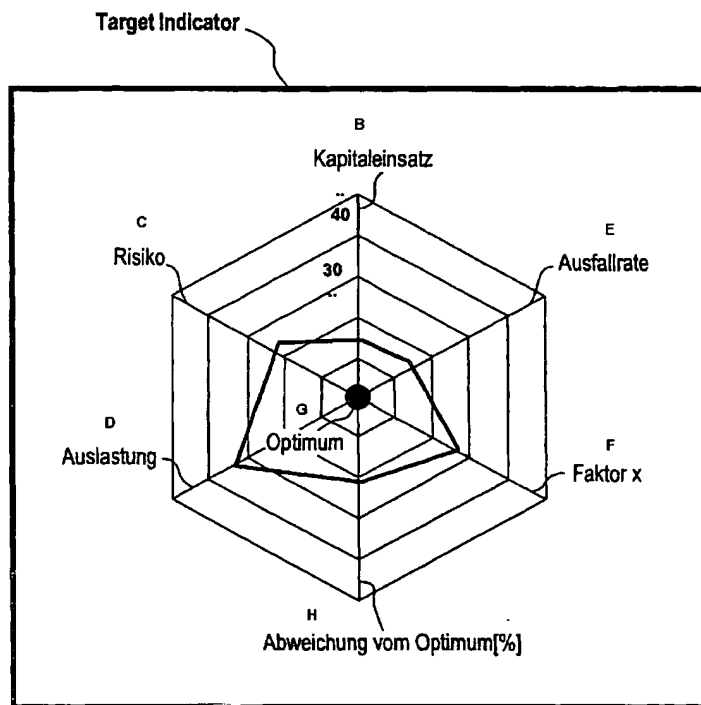
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(54) Title: **METHOD AND DEVICE FOR REPRESENTING A PROCESS FLOW**

(54) Bezeichnung: **VERFAHREN UND VORRICHTUNG ZUR DARSTELLUNG EINES PROZESSABLAUFS**



B USE OF CAPITAL
C RISK
D CHARGE
E FALL-OFF RATE

F FACTOR X
G OPTIMUM
H DEVIATION FROM OPTIMUM (%)

(57) Abstract: The invention relates to a method and device for representing a process flow. According to the invention, an optimal process flow is represented by means of an optimal point and the actual values of the variables of the processes are represented as points which are respectively arranged at a distance from the optimal point. The distances are determined by means of a good functional.

(57) Zusammenfassung: Es wird vorgeschlagen, einen optimalen Prozessablauf mittels eines Optimalpunktes darzustellen und die aktuellen Werte der Kenngrößen des Prozesses als Punkte jeweils in einem Abstand vom Optimalpunkt darzustellen, wobei die Abstände mittels eines Gütefunktions bestimmt sind.

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